



## Public Health Environmental Health Services



# Body Art Temporary Event Organizer Information

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Sponsors of a temporary body art event in the County of San Bernardino are required to obtain a valid health permit or be subject to closure. Health permits are non-transferable and must be posted in a conspicuous place within the temporary body art event location. In order to obtain a valid health permit, the steps listed below must be completed.

1. Complete the [Application for Temporary Event Health Permit](#); submit at least 2 weeks prior to event.  
Application should be submitted no less than 2 weeks before the event.
2. Submit Sponsor of a [Temporary Body Art Event checklist, section D](#) with signature including a site map.
3. Pay [applicable fee](#) for a Sponsor of a Temporary Body Art Event.

The sponsor(s) of a temporary body art event shall be responsible for ensuring the availability of support facilities and supplies for practitioners and vendors, including, but not limited to:

- Access to a potable water supply.
- Restrooms that have flush toilets supplied with toilet paper, hand wash sinks supplied with hot and cold potable running water, soap, and single-use paper towels to which practitioners have direct access.
- Sharps waste containers for each demonstration booth.
- The use of a licensed medical waste disposal company for removal of all sharps waste containers used during the body art event.
- Frequent trash pickup from demonstration booths
- An eye wash station.
- A decontamination and sterilization area that is separated from a procedure area by at least five feet or by a cleanable barrier.
- Adequate backup supplies that can be purchased by practitioners, including, but not limited to:
  - Pre-sterilized tattoo needles.
  - Pre-sterilized needle tubes.
  - Pre-sterilized piercing instruments, including, but not limited to, needles, receiving tubes corks, marking tools, and forceps.
  - Single-use tubes of water-based and petroleum-based lubricants.
  - Nitrile and latex gloves.
  - Absorbent dressing materials.
  - Plastic bags, barrier film, clip cord covers, and plastic wrap.
  - Ink cups.

The name, telephone number, and directions to an emergency room near the temporary body art event shall be posted in a conspicuous location.

Each practitioner working in a booth at a temporary body art event shall display his/her certificate of registration, or keep the certificate in a folder that is available for inspection upon request of the enforcement officer or a client.

The sponsor shall obtain all necessary permits to conduct business in the jurisdiction where the event will be held including a valid health permit issued by the Division of Environmental Health Services. A sponsor who violates these requirements shall be subject to closure of the temporary body art event and a penalty up to three times the cost of the permit.